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SPAWAR Issues Delivery Order for Base Level Information Infrastructure improvements overseas

The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command has issued a \$102,199,015 delivery order to General Dynamics, Government Systems Corporation, Worldwide Telecommunications Systems of Needham Heights, Massachusetts for Firm Requirement Base Level Information Infrastructure improvements at Navy installations in Europe, the Far East, and Bahrain. Avaya Inc., and General Dynamics, Government Systems Corporation, Worldwide Telecommunications Systems competed for the BLII OCONUS delivery order, which is also known as NMCI OCONUS, under the competitively-awarded ViViD contract.

General Dynamics will provide an integrated intranet that will have the capability to use common Navy applications across the enterprise, provide a secure operating environment, and provide stringent configuration management capabilities and processes. The contractor will design/engineer, procure, install, integrate, test, and deliver: outside plant (fiber optic cable) upgrades, inside plant (CAT 5/5E and fiber optic cable) upgrades, and Information Technology Service Centers (ITSCs) and Information Technology Outreach Centers (ITOCs) in order to provide the Government the capability to deliver basic network services to Navy users outside the continental United States. The contractor will utilize the NMCI CONUS technical solution and best industry practices to minimize the overall Total Cost of Ownership of the BLII OCONUS Information Technology enterprise.

SPAWAR is issuing this delivery order under the previously competed \$2,934,185,000 indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity, fixed-price ViViD contract awarded July 29, 1997. That contract includes Voice, Video, and Data (ViViD) modernization of the Department of the Navy's base level information infrastructure through the use of commercial hardware, software, and services required to implement a base level infrastructure capable of supporting and integrating voice, video, and data. Work will be performed at various locations outside the Continental United States (OCONUS) including the Far East (50%), Europe (40%), and Bahrain (10%). The first locations to receive upgrades are anticipated to be Naval facilities in Yokosuka, Japan, Naples, Italy, and Bahrain. All firm requirement work in the base contract is expected to be completed by October 2003. Contract funds will not expire at the end of the fiscal year. This delivery order contains options that could increase the value of the award to \$137,867,782 depending on user requirements and funds availability. The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command San Diego is the contracting activity (N68939-97-D-0041).

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<http://www1.avaya.com/enterprise/gov/vivid/index.html>

Background

1. What areas are included in the Base Level Information Infrastructure improvements?

BLII OCONUS regions include

Europe: United Kingdom, Spain, Greece, and Italy;

Far East: Japan, Korea, Singapore, Diego Garcia, and Guam;

Middle East: Bahrain.

2. What does this upgrade do?

The BLII work will provide end-to-end connectivity and basic network service delivery capability to Navy activities.

3. Does this upgrade include seat management like the CONUS NMCI contract?

The current notional support plan for the OCONUS portion of the NMCI does not currently include seat management, the BLII OCONUS infrastructure upgrades will support the potential for transition to a seat management concept in the future by using industry best practices and approaches in concert with the NMCI CONUS architecture and design. The OCONUS upgrades must be interoperable with the CONUS NMCI.

4. Where can I find information on the ViViD contract award?

The Original ViViD contract announcement may be found on DefenseLink at:

http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Jul1997/c07291997_ct410-97.html

5. Where can I find information on the Navy Marine Corps Intranet?

The NMCI Contract announcement may be found on DefenseLink at:

http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Oct2000/c10062000_ct617-00.html

The SPAWAR NMCI website is:

<https://nmci.spawar.navy.mil/>

The Information Strike Force NMCI website is:

<http://www.eds.com/nmci/index.htm>